

FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS, FY 2000

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a closed rule on H.J. Res. 75, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000 providing one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. The rule provides one motion to recommit.

HOME PAGE TAX REPEAL ACT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research approved for full Committee action, amended, H.R. 2797, Home Page Tax Repeal Act.

AGING OF AGRICULTURE

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Empowerment and the Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Business Opportunities and Special Small Business Problems held a joint hearing on The Aging of Agriculture: Empowering Young Farmers to Grow for the Future. Testimony was heard from Susan Offutt, Administrator, Economic Research Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—COAST GUARD'S SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held an oversight hearing on the Coast Guard's search and rescue mission. Testimony was heard from James E. Hall, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; Adm. James M. Loy, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

HARBOR AND INLAND WATERWAY FINANCING

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Harbor and Inland Waterway Financing. Testimony was heard from John H. Anderson, Jr., Director, Transportation Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

CLASSIFIED INFORMATION—UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Unauthorized Disclosures of Classified Information: Scope and Seriousness of the Problem. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

AUTHORIZATION—FAA

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1000, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

CHECHEN/RUSSIAN CRISIS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded hearings on the Chechen crisis and its implication for Russian democracy, after receiving testimony from Lyoma Usmanov, Representative of the Chechen Republic to the United States; John Dunlop, Stanford University Hoover Institution, Stanford, California; and Fiona Hill, Eurasia Foundation, and Yo'av Karny, both of Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings on certain initiatives to improve nursing home quality of care, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings on the nomination of Alphonso Maldon, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense; and the nomination of John K. Veroneau, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings on local phone competition, examining how to increase consumer choice in local telephone markets, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine issues relating to Chechnya, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the future United States policy with Nigeria, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Resources on S. 1586, to reduce the fractionated ownership of Indian Lands; and S. 1315, to permit the leasing of oil and gas rights on certain lands held in trust for the Navajo Nation or allotted to a member of the Navajo Nation, in any case in which there is consent from a specified percentage interest in the parcel of land under consideration for lease, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on issues relating to the MCI Worldcom/Sprint merger, 11 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on the report of the United States Commission on National Security/21st Century, 9:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Problems with EPA's Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund Program, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on WTO 2000: The Next Round, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on Project Exile: A Case Study in Successful Enforcement, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, to mark up H.R. 2376, to require agencies to establish expedited review procedures for granting a waiver to a State under a grant program administered by the agency if another State has already been granted a similar waiver by the agency under such program, 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on The Cuban Program: Torture of American Prisoners by Cuban Agents, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, to mark up H.R. 2528, Immigration Reorganization and Improvement Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on Limitations on Patenting Millsites under the Mining Law of 1872 and the Approval of Mining Plans of Operations Pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: S. 548, Fallen Timbers Battlefield and Fort Miamis National Historic Site Act of

1999; H.R. 1668, Loess Hills Preservation Study Act of 1999; and H.R. 2278, to require the National Park Service to conduct a feasibility study regarding options for the protection and expanded visitor enjoyment of nationally significant natural and cultural resources at Fort Hunter Liggett, California, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Technology, and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform, joint hearing on Y2K Myths and Realities: Responding to the Questions of the American Public with 50 Days Remaining Until January 1, 2000, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on Defense Contract Bundling Policy, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Straight Out Departures at Newark Airport, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management, hearing on EPA Grants Management, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on North Korean Strategic Thinking: One Analyst's View, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 1000, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration, time to be announced, SC-5, Capitol.

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